2.421 lakhs for the purchase of the following hardware:—

(i) HP Computer 3000/42

(ii) Two Zenith 386 PC/AT

(iii) ESPL-PC 80

(iv) Three ET&T PC/XT

(v) Apple Macintosh

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The IGNCA has developed and operationalised the following information systems:

1. Union Catalogue of Catalogues (CAT-CAT)

2. Manuscripts Information (MANUS)

3. KALA KOSA Terms (KKTERM)

4. Library Information Management System (LIMS)

(e) Does not arise.

Regional language as the medium of instruction in Navodaya Vidyalayas

4170. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that requests have been made by various States including Temil Nadu to introduce Regional language as the medium of instruction in the Navodaya Vidyalayas; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Over-staffing in Kendriya Vidyalayas

4171. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of Kendriya Vidyalayas where incumbents to different posts outnumber the sanctioned staff-strength for 1991-92; and

(b) what is the justification therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) The detailed information is maintained at the level of Assistant Commissioners in the regions. The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Funds for Rajiv Gandhi Foundation

4172. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the fund raising committee of Rajiv Gandhi Foundation is persisting to raise funds for the foundation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) The Rajiv Gandhi Foundation is a purely private Trust and the Government keep no such information about this Trust.

(b) Does not arise.

पाठ्य पुस्तकों के लिए राज–सहायता

4173. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल :** क्या **मानव संसाधन विकास** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि महाराष्ट्र सरकार ने पाठ्य-पुस्तकों के लिए 28.88 लाख रुपये की राज सहायता की मांग की है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा क्या निर्णय लिया गया है; और

(ग) सरकार यह राशि महाराष्ट्र को कब तक देने का विचार रखती है ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (श्री अर्जुन सिंह) : (क) जी, हां।

(ख) और (ग) हिन्दुस्तान कागज निगम को आर्थिक सहायता की राशि का भुगतान करना सम्भव नहीं हो पाया है क्योंकि हिन्दुस्तान कागज निगम ने महाराष्ट्र सरकार को की गई कागज की आपूर्ति, योजना के मूल्य-निर्धारण के अनुरूप नहीं है।

Major Schemes Regarding Education

4174. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Major Schemes introduced after the announcement of National Policy on Education;

(b) what are the objectives behind these schemes; and whether any target has been set for the same; and

(c) if so, progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) With a view to improving the access to and quality of education and to achieving the goals and targets set in the National Policy on Education (NPE) 1986 and the Programme of Action prepared in pursuance of NPE, many schemes were introduced after the announcement of NPE, 1986. These include Operation Blackboard, Non-Formal Education, Reorganisation of Teacher Education, Vocationalisation of Education, Education Technology, Improvement of Science Education in Schools, Computer Literacy in Schools, National Literacy Mission, Improvement of Standard of Higher Education (including establishment of autonomous colleges and distance education facilities), Navodaya Vidyalayas Mahila Samakhya and Modernisation and Removal of Obsolescence in Technical Education.

(c) Details of the schemes and the progress achieved up to the end of financial year 1990-91 are given in the Annual Report 1990-91 of the Ministry of Human Resource Development-Part I, Department of Education, which was laid on the Table of the House.

Special Allowances and Facilities for serving in North Eastern Region, A and N Islands and Lakshadweep

4175. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI MISHA R. GANESAN:
SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU:
DR. R. K. PODDAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) when and in which of its meetings, the Board of Governors of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan amended the provision of Special allowances and facilities for Central Government employees serving in North Eastern Region, A and N Islands and Lakshadweep; and

(b) what are the details of the amended provisions?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) This was not taken up at the level of the Board of Governors. It was done in pursuance of similar orders extending special facilities to transferable Central Government employees in the North-East by the Central Government. The orders are broadly similar in nature to those issued by the Central Government.

Education code and CCS (CCA) rules

4176. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI MISA R. GANESAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 have been extended *mutatis mutandis* to the teaching staff of Kendriya Vidyalayas;